

SUBJECT: Draft Conservation Strategy Available for Public Review

MESSAGE:

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has prepared a Draft *Central Valley Flood System Conservation Strategy* (Conservation Strategy) for a 60-day public review and comment period. The Conservation Strategy is an integral component of the 2017 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP). It outlines a comprehensive, long-term approach to improve riverine and floodplain ecosystems, and provides guidance on how multi-benefit projects can provide ecological benefits while protecting public safety.

The draft document, executive summary and all appendices are now available on DWR's website at: http://www.water.ca.gov/conservationstrategy/cs_new.cfm. A review guidance document is also available on the website; we strongly recommend that you refer to this document before beginning your review of the Conservation Strategy. Please submit comments by September 14, 2015.

We look forward to receiving your input on the Draft Conservation Strategy.

Best regards,

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